

STATE INTERAGENCY COUNCIL (SIAC)

January Meeting Summary



Date | time January 22, 2020 | 1:00 p.m. | **Meeting Location** Administrative Office of the Courts

Meeting called to order by Elizabeth Caywood, Deputy Commissioner of Department for Community Based Services & SIAC Vice Chair

WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & UPDATES

Elizabeth Caywood, Deputy Commissioner, Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) & SIAC Vice Chair, welcomed members/alternates to the meeting. Ms. Caywood provided an update for DCBS and reported DCBS is watching Senate Bills 40 and 92.

- **Rachel Bingham**, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), reminded SIAC that AOC had shared electronically the Family Court Rules of Procedure and Practice and Juvenile Court Rules of Procedure and Practice, both effective February 1, 2020. Please email Ms. Bingham with any questions regarding those. Ms. Bingham had also shared the Juvenile Justice Reform Evaluation completed by Westat. The findings include detailed data and information about community-based supports and resources in Kentucky. Ms. Bingham emphasized how this report relates to the work of the RIACs and SIAC.
- **Kevin Brown**, Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), reported there have been a few structural changes at KDE such as bringing back the Office of Teaching and Learning, which was abolished during the previous administration. Mr. Brown stated Dr. Lewis had some legitimate reasons for doing that; however, there were also consequences. Mr. Brown reported that by bringing Dr. Damien Sweeney back into the Office of Teaching and Learning, instead of Technical Education, will allow Dr. Sweeney to do what needs to be done in comprehensive counseling all over the state. Mr. Brown reminded SIAC that tomorrow will mark the second anniversary of the shooting in Marshall County.
- **Melissa Goins**, Family Resource & Youth Service Centers (FRYSC), reported all of the centers across the state are looking at their Comprehensive Needs Assessment for their schools and communities and building their two year plans to submit by March. Ms. Goins stated they hope the centers are working on that with their Advisory Councils.
- **Rhonda Logsdon**, KY-SPIN, Family Organization Representative, shared multiple resources [see Meeting Handouts]. Their webinars are scheduled through September. Ms. Logsdon reported KY-SPIN will be providing a training at Fort Knox on Special Education Law to include military families. Ms. Logsdon reported that Kentucky is one of the few states that runs the education on bases through the Department of Defense instead of the state education agency. Ms. Logsdon provided information regarding the Stone Catchers Masquerade Ball hosted by the Kentucky Partnership for Families and Children. Ms. Logsdon encouraged everyone to nominate people from their organizations for Stone Catchers award. Ms. Logsdon reported there are training opportunities through the KY Autism Training Center. The Office for Autism has an Autism Transition Summit, partnered with HDI and OVR [see Meeting Handouts].
- **Vanessa Brewer**, RIAC Administrator, reported that eleven RIACs had applied for the funding opportunity; one was denied, and we provided some targeted technical assistance to the other ten, who then had an opportunity to update their proposals for reconsideration. Eight resubmitted, and we will be reviewing those soon. Ms. Brewer reported that nine of the eighteen RIACs now have Youth Representatives, and one also has a Youth Alternate. Eleven of the eighteen have Parent Representatives. This has been a struggle for several RIACs, and we are excited for the RIACs. Ms. Brewer thanked Callie Cartmell and Rhonda Logsdon for their assistance in advertising and recruiting these representatives.
- **Ivanora Alexander**, Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs (OCSHCN), reported OCSHCN is continuing to work on the Needs Assessment for the Maternal and Child Health block grant in collaboration with the Department for Public Health.

- **Sonny Mercier**, Parent Alternate, reported that Denitta is working on the proposal for the SIAC Parent and Youth representatives to travel to other RIACs to see if they can assist with getting more Parent and Youth Representatives involved.
- **Wendy Morris**, Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities (DBHDID), provided two legislative updates: Senate Bill 8 adds clarifying language to the School Safety and Resiliency Act of 2019, which will strengthen the legislation. Members of the School Safety and Resiliency Act Implementation Support Team provided testimony to the Senate Education Committee on 1/16/20. Also, House Bill 153 establishes the KY Mental Health First Aid Training Program within the CHFS; Commissioner Morris testified on 1/16/20. Commissioner Morris reported the CHFS Trauma Informed Roundtable – led by Miriam Silman of DBHDID and comprised of trauma champions from across the CHFS – has developed a set of universal and targeted activities aimed at meeting its mission of creating a trauma-informed and resiliency-oriented Cabinet. The focus at this time is on building capacity within the CHFS to address secondary traumatic stress. Acting Secretary Friedlander attended a recent meeting of the Roundtable to confirm his commitment to addressing secondary traumatic stress among the CHFS workforce. Commissioner Morris reported the 2020 System of Care Academy will be June 9-11 at the Marriott Griffin Gate in Lexington. This year's theme is Strengthening Families... First! Commissioner Morris introduced Stephanie Sikes-Jones as the new Youth Coordinator in the Children's Branch beginning February 3. Commissioner Morris reported the implementation of Too Good for Drugs continues with more than 130,000 youth served during the first semester of implementation. Approximately 120 trainers have delivered the initial 10-session trainings for the curriculum, which is available for grades K-9.
- **Kristen Martin**, Department for Public Health, reported they are searching for someone to fill the Social and Emotional Consultant role. They are specifically looking for someone that has an interest in early childhood and experience with Strengthening Families and Connect the Dots curriculum. Ms. Martin reported the application is open on the Franklin County Health Department website. Please contact Kristen Martin with any questions.
- **Callie Cartmell**, Youth Representative, reported there are three open positions [see Meeting Handouts] as part of the System of Care grant: family leadership coordinator, youth leadership coordinator and training coordinator. Ms. Cartmell requested the Council please share these position descriptions.
- **Stephanie Bates**, Department of Medicaid Services (DMS), reported the new Medicaid Commission is Lisa Lee, who has sixteen years of Medicaid experience and is very focused on children and their needs.
- **Cora McNabb**, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR), reported their Department is working on contract renewals. Ms. McNabb also reported they are building a data system to capture pre-employment information.
- **Eric Friedlander**, Acting Secretary and Deputy Secretary, Cabinet for Health and Family Services, introduced himself and reported this is his second time in his current role, so he is very familiar with SIAC. Acting Secretary Friedlander stated SIAC has his full support moving forward, and he voiced support for many of the current initiatives. Acting Secretary Friedlander reported that in addition to serving families in a trauma-informed way, we also have to acknowledge secondary trauma and determine how to produce different outcomes.

BUSINESS ITEMS

❖ Review of December Meeting Summary

Melissa Goins made motion to approve. **Rachel Bingham** – second to the motion. Motion carried.

• Kentucky River RIAC Youth Member, Cumberland Valley RIAC Parent Member, and Jefferson County RIAC Parent Member Appointments

SIAC Vice Chair Elizabeth Caywood requested SIAC Members review the applications for the Cumberland River RIAC Parent Member, Kentucky River RIAC Youth Member and the Jefferson County RIAC Parent Member applications; however, the Kentucky River RIAC Youth Member application was absent from the folder. Vice Chair Caywood asked for the council to review Cumberland River and Jefferson, and the Council could review Kentucky River at the next meeting. There were no objections. Vice Chair Caywood appointed Melissa Mason and Adrienne Fedrick.

• Legislative Updates

Kevin Brown, Interim Commissioner of KDE, reported the new State Board met last Friday and updated the legislative agenda. They added a Statement of Support and cited the Rose Decision to ensure the General Assembly remembers that they have an obligation to adequately and equitably fund our public school system. Mr. Brown reported that local school districts are using local funding to supplement the reduction in state funding that has

occurred over the years. Mr. Brown reported there is another funding-related legislative agenda item for the General Assembly to fully fund full-day Kindergarten.

- **Standing Committee Updates** Written update is in the folders [see Meeting Handouts].

SAFESPACE FINAL RESULTS AND NEXT STEPS

Lizzie Minton, LCSW, Clinical Consultant, Department for Community Based Services, provided an overview on SAFESPACE, including the project background and history, implementation results, data and findings. Intervention strategies included screenings, functional assessments, data-informed case planning, evidence-based/informed child trauma treatment, and service array reconfiguration. As a result of SAFESPACE, over 14,000 children have received a screener, there has been increased clinical oversight and more informed decisions from DCBS and provider agencies, and at a state-level there is a more thorough understanding of the population we are serving, and there are continually improvements being made to the system. A copy of the PowerPoint is available [see Meeting Handouts].

SYSTEM OF CARE FIVE

Vestena Robbins and Beth Jordan, Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities (DBHDID), SOC Grant V Co-Principal Investigators, provided an overview of the System of Care FIVE Grant. This is a federal grant through Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). It is a System of Care Expansion & Sustainability Grant that will be funded for up to 4 years at up to \$3,000,000 per year. It was awarded to the DBHDID. The start date was September 30, 2019. SOC-V aims to improve behavioral health outcomes for children and youth, birth to 21 who meet criteria for SED and their families and who have had child welfare involvement. For this project, child welfare-involved families are those for whom a child abuse and/or neglect investigation results in a substantiation or services-needed finding and for whom DCBS does not have custody. There is purposeful alignment with Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) and other child welfare transformation efforts, such as expansion of standardized behavioral health screening and assessment beyond out-of-home care population (Project SAFESPACE); focus on Secondary Traumatic Stress among the workforce; and supporting families to safely maintain their children and youth in the home. The Grant Management and Implementation Team (GMIT) is an interagency team responsible for management of the grant, oversight of state and local implementation activities, and ongoing communication with the system of care governing bodies. The GMIT includes representatives from DBHDID, DCBS, KY Partnership for Families and Children, UK Human Development Institute Evaluation Unit, and DMS. The co-principal investigators presented “asks” for SIAC related to involvement and information-sharing: As the governing body of the SOC V grant, what is the best way to involve SIAC in implementation? What is the best way to involve your agency and/or respective stakeholders? As the governing body, what is the best way to keep you informed of implementation efforts? What is the best way to support you in sharing information with your respective agencies and/or stakeholders?

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS: NATIONAL AGENDA FOR AMERICA'S YOUTH

Liz Bernard, CEO, Boys & Girls Club of Bowling Green; Jef Goodnight, CEO, Boys & Girls Club of Franklin Simpson; Caitlin Waddell, CEO, Tom Browning Boys & Girls Club; and Bart Baldwin, Lobbyist/Consultant, Bart Baldwin Consulting provided an overview of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America and the *Agenda for America's Youth* [see Meeting Handouts] which includes five policy priorities: out-of-school time; safer childhoods; health and wellness; education, leadership and workforce readiness; and equity and inclusion. There are currently 19 sites across Kentucky, and a fact sheet was provided [see Meeting Handouts]. They also reported they are looking for judges for the annual Youth of the Year competition. This program celebrates outstanding youth who have been nominated by their club to compete against the youth from clubs across the state. The youth selected as the winner on this day will go on to compete at the national level. Judges will listen to the prepared speeches and interview each of the youth.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Elizabeth Caywood, Deputy Commissioner of Department for Community Based Services & SIAC Vice Chair, asked for input on future agenda items.

- SMART friends and family – Kentucky Partnership for Families and Children – TBD
- TAYLRD 2.0 – Kate Tilton, TAYLRD Project Director, and Youth with TAYLRD – April 2020
- Toolkit for educating about psychosis – Anne Embry, Barren River RIAC LRC at Lifeskills, Inc.; James Bender and Rachel Wyatt, IHOPE – February 2020
- Violence Prevention Report – Christopher II X, Anti-Violence Advocate – TBD

SIAC Vice Chair Caywood reminded the Council and attendees that tomorrow is Children’s Advocacy Day, and this is No Name Calling Week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Elizabeth Caywood, Deputy Commissioner of Department for Community Based Services & SIAC Vice Chair, asked for any public comment. Whitney Hayse, P&A, inquired about the annual recommendations and cover letter. The SIAC Administrator responded that the cover letter will be sent to Elizabeth Caywood this week for review.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 26, 2019 | 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Administrative Office of the Courts, 1001 Vandalay Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601., Frankfort, KY 40601

ADJOURNMENT

Wendy Morris made motion to adjourn. **Rachel Bingham** – second to the motion.

Elizabeth Caywood, Deputy Commissioner of Department for Community Based Services & SIAC Vice Chair, adjourned the meeting.

SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

TASK:	RESPONSIBLE PARTY:
Complete cover letter for the annual recommendations to the Governor and LRC	Lea Taylor, SIAC Administrator, will send to Vice Chair this week for review.
As the governing body of the SOC V grant, make the following decisions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the best way to involve SIAC in implementation? • What is the best way to involve your agency and/or respective stakeholders? • What is the best way to keep you informed of implementation efforts? • What is the best way to support you in sharing information with your respective agencies and/or stakeholders? 	SIAC Members and Designees

IN ATTENDANCE

Members/Designees:

Elizabeth Caywood, DCBS
Rachel Bingham, AOC
Sonny Mercier, Parent Alternate
Melissa Goins, FRYSC
Kevin Brown, KDE
Cora McNabb, OVR
Kristen Martin, DPH

Rhonda Logsdon, KY-SPIN
Ivanora Alexander, OCSHCN
Bill Heffron, DJJ
Wendy Morris, DBHDID
Stephanie Bates, DMS
Callie Cartmell, Youth
Eric Friedlander, CHFS

Staff: Lea Taylor, SIAC Administrator, DBHDID; Lori Ramage, Administrative Specialist, DBHDID; Vanessa Brewer, RIAC Administrator, DBHDID

Partial Guest List:

Vestena Robbins, DBHDID

Christina Weeter, KDE

Sarah Kidder, BBC

Kimberly Griffin, AOC

Lizzie Minton, DCBS

Laura Edwards, DBHDID

Shelly Steiner, DBHDID

Troy Bell, AOC

Debbie Sauber, KDE

Kathryn Tillett, KDE

Leslie Bentley, Green River RIAC

Whitney Hayse, P&A

Brittany Roberts, KPFC

Kim Hinkson-Lee, KDE

Diane Gruen-Kidd, DBHDID

Miriam Silman, DBHDID

Margaret McGladrey, KY CASA Network

Martha Campbell, Humana

Sarah Bowling, Aetna

Eboni Blackford, AOC

David Crowley, Anthem Medicaid

Jef Goodnight, Boys & Girls Club of Franklin Simpson

Caitlin Waddell, Tom Browning Boys & Girls Club

Noreen McHolland, Jefferson RIAC

Beth Jordan, DBHDID

Carol Cecil, KPFC

Adrienne Fedrick, Jefferson RIAC Parent Rep

Angela Morris, AOC

Rob Beaven, WellCare

Deanna Bentley, DBHDID

Brittany Barber, DBHDID

Christa Bell, DCBS

Christie Penn, DBHDID

Shirley Gardstein, Cumberland River RIAC

Jenean Hampton

LeAnn Magre, Wellcare

Ann Hollen, DMS

Pastor Edward Palmer

Ian Rosser, KY-SPIN

Kellie Smith, KY-SPIN

Ashley Runyon, CHFS

Kate Overberg Wagoner, DBHDID

Cheryl Hall, Passport

Bart Baldwin, BBC

Liz Bernard, Boys & Girls Club of Bowling Green

Jesse Dillow, KPFC, TAYLRD

Kate Tilton, KPFC, TAYLRD

Shellie Mills, Cumberland River RIAC

MEETING HANDOUTS

Any handouts referenced in the meeting summary above will be available on the SIAC website at

<http://dbhdid.ky.gov/dbh/siac-summaries.aspx>. Under **Handouts**, use the drop down to select this meeting date.